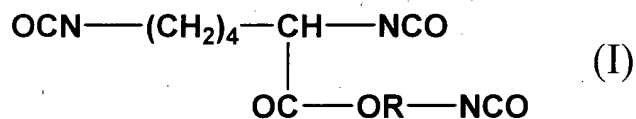


a.) Amendment to the Claims:

1. (Original) A lysine ester triisocyanate represented by general formula

(I):

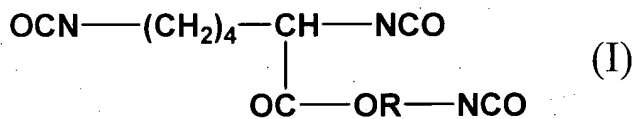


(wherein R represents lower alkylene), characterized in that the change in a hue value (APHA) of the lysine ester triisocyanate is 20 or less when it is stored for two weeks at 40°C in a nitrogen atmosphere under blocking light.

2. (Original) The lysine ester triisocyanate according to Claim 1, wherein R is ethylene.

3. (Original) The lysine ester triisocyanate according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the hue value (APHA) before storage is 50 or less.

4. (Currently Amended) A process for producing a lysine ester triisocyanate represented by general formula (I):



(wherein R ~~has the same meaning as defined above~~ represents lower alkylene), which comprises a step of bringing a mixture comprising the lysine ester triisocyanate represented by the general formula (I) into contact with activated carbon at a temperature of 10°C to 40°C.

5. (Original) The process for producing a lysine ester triisocyanate according to Claim 4, wherein the mixture comprising the lysine ester triisocyanate represented by general formula (I) has a hue value (APHA) of 100 or more.

6. (Original) The process for producing a lysine ester triisocyanate according to Claim 4 or 5, wherein the mixture comprising the lysine ester triisocyanate represented by general formula (I) is a reaction mixture obtained by reacting its corresponding triamine or a salt thereof with phosgene.

7. (Currently Amended) The process for producing a lysine ester triisocyanate according to ~~any one of Claims 4 to 6~~ Claim 4 or 5, wherein after the step of bringing a mixture comprising the lysine ester triisocyanate represented by general formula (I) into contact with activated carbon, a step of subjecting the resulting mixed liquid to thin-film distillation is carried out.

8. (New) The process for producing a lysine ester triisocyanate according to Claim 6, wherein after the step of bringing a mixture comprising the lysine ester triisocyanate represented by general formula (I) into contact with activated carbon, a step of subjecting the resulting mixed liquid to thin-film distillation is carried out.